



School Staff and Student Release from Quarantine

Schools that opt to assist Jefferson County Health Department with the screening of students and staff for return to school after COVID-19 related quarantine should adhere to the following procedures and recommendations.

- School nursing staff may contact the individual at the end of day 14 to assess their health and ability to return to work/school on the 15th day. An individual must complete their full 14-day quarantine prior to return.
- JCHD encourages all school staff who work directly with COVID-19 contact tracing and assist with back to school releases to complete the John Hopkins Contact Tracing Training located at: <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/contact-tracing>.

Interview Questions:

1. Did the contact develop any of the following COVID-19 symptoms during their quarantine?
 - a. Felt feverish or had a temperature of 100.4-degree Fahrenheit or higher
 - b. Develop a cough or shortness of breath
 - c. Persistent pain or pressure in the chest
 - d. Fatigue
 - e. Headache
 - f. Developed mild symptoms: sore throat, runny nose, muscle aches, abdominal pains, vomiting or diarrhea
2. Has anyone in their household developed COVID-19 related symptoms or tested positive in the past 14 days?

Interviewer Responses:

1. If the interviewee developed COVID-19 symptoms or has had an additional contact with a positive case:
 - a. Tell them they will receive an additional call from the Jefferson County Health Department and they are to remain in quarantine and not return to school or school related functions.
 - b. Contact JCHD Education Task Force at 636-797-3737 ext. 230 to inform them an individual is symptomatic and will need further investigation.
2. If the individual has remained asymptomatic:
 - a. They can report to school the following day (15th day after they completed their full 14-day quarantine).
 - b. They should report to the school nurse or designated administration for a COVID-19 health screening prior to entering class or school related activity.
 - c. Inform the individual or parent/guardian they will receive a call from the Jefferson County Health Department the following day that will include an official release letter for documentation.

Please reach out to the Jefferson County Health Department Education Task Force with questions or concerns: 636-797-3737 ext. 230 or eduoutreach@jeffcohealth.org



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